

300 LIVES, \$1,500,000 CARGO MAY BE LOST WITH BRITISH LINER APPAM

BREWERY CHANGES OFFICIALS; SWEEP IS ALMOST CLEAN

Denials Made That Any Faction is Uppermost But Old Directors Are Out

FORMER MINORITY MAN NOW HIGH IN CONTROL

Rumors of Some Bitterness at Annual Meeting Are Denied

Voting out almost the entire roster of old directors, an element which last spring was in the minority in the affairs of the Honolulu Brewing and Malting Company today took control and, holding the majority of votes at the annual meeting, named new directors and new officers.

Frank R. Greenwell of Kona, who headed the fight made against Charles G. Bartlett last spring—the fight which ultimately led to the exposure of Bartlett's financial irregularities and to his indictment—is credited with leading the present movement to secure a new lineup in brewery officials.

While on all sides today it was denied that the brewery meeting this morning brought bitter words or open hostilities, it is admitted that there is a new element in control of affairs at the Honolulu brewery, and that this element has developed primarily since the fight made by the minority stockholders last spring to secure an accounting from Bartlett, then president and manager.

One of the directors who was not reelected sums up the situation by saying:

"Mr. Greenwell and those with him had a majority of the votes and it was realized by the 1915 directors that the control and the election of officers went with the votes. There was no 'pulling' and no bitterness."

"The statement for last year showed a satisfactory increase in business. No faction won out because there was no faction. It was simply a case of the majority of the stockholders wishing to name new directors and officers."

The fact remains that very few of the officers and directors who were in charge last year were reelected.

President Schuman sent a letter in which he tendered his resignation.

New Officers.

Officers were elected as follows: F. E. Hime, president; J. Steiner, vice-president; St. C. Sayres, secretary and manager; E. C. Conant, auditor; R. Gussfeldt, treasurer; E. C. Hobron, F. R. Greenwell, Andrew Holmes and W. L. Frazee.

With the exception of Mr. Greenwell and Mr. Conant, who are from Hawaii, the officers and directors are Honolulu men. Mr. Steiner, Mr. Hobron and Mr. Greenwell are former directors.

During the meeting a letter was read from Gustav Schuman, tendering his resignation as president. Mr. Schuman was elected to the position upon the reorganization of the corporation shortly after the Charles G. Bartlett episode. Mr. Schuman's letter was not made public, and nothing definite could be learned today as to the reasons for his resignation.

Mr. Greenwell, who demanded the investigation into the affairs of the company after Bartlett left Honolulu, stoutly denied that there was any "control" over the voting; that there

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'PREPAREDNESS' RESTS WITH MEN OF THE NATION

President Wilson, Opening Six-Day Program, Says Employers are Willing

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 29.—The President today opened his six-day speaking program on national preparedness. He told a large crowd that test of national preparedness lies not in Congress but with the men of the nation themselves, with their willingness to volunteer, and declared that they will not meet opposition on the part of their employers.

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NO NEW YORK STOCK MARKET REPORT

On account of the storms that swept the middle and western states last night, telegraph wires are down to such an extent that no New York stock market report could be secured today. It will probably be several hours before the wire service is reorganized. The regular news service has been seriously hampered by the same difficulty.

SUGAR.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 28.—Sugar: 96 degrees test, 4.705c. Previous quotation, 4.77c.

INDICT DUKES FOR MURDER OF MONEY LENDER

U. S. Grand Jury Charges He Killed G. P. George at Military Post

A charge of murder today was preferred by the federal grand jury against Jesse Dukes, colored, a civilian employee in the quartermaster department at Schofield Barracks.

Dukes was arrested by Marshal J. J. Smiddy following the brutal murder of G. P. George, an aged money lender and civilian employee in the quartermaster department at the military post at Lethbridge, which occurred at about 11:30 o'clock one week ago last Tuesday night. According to testimony the finding of the body of the aged man, who was still alive, was reported by Dukes. George was taken to the hospital and died on the operating table 15 minutes later.

George's death was due to blow which he had received on the back of the head from some heavy implement. Near the body was found a five-foot poker, covered with dirt and grease, to which adhered several strands of human hair.

Makes One Admission.

In a statement to District Attorney Herman W. Vaughan, Dukes admitted that the poker belonged in his place of work. On the day following the murder, Dukes was taken into custody by army officers and held until brought to Honolulu by the marshal on a commissioner's warrant, charging Dukes with the murder.

Without the usual custom of a commissioner's hearing, the Dukes case was presented to the federal grand jury which deliberated on the case about three days, during which time a large number of witnesses were called. It has been reported by the district attorney's office that Dukes was taken into custody at the barracks after he had failed to give a satisfactory account of his whereabouts on the night of the murder.

The indictment returned by the grand jury today was very brief in its wording. It alleged that on or about January 18, Dukes "killed and murdered" George. Dukes will be called into court probably some time next week for arraignment and plea. As far as is known, the defendant has no attorney.

DR. SUN YAT SEN'S SECRETARY SURE REBELS WILL WIN

Fong Chee You, secretary to Dr. Sun Yat Sen, will leave Honolulu today on the Nippon Maru for Tokyo and Shanghai. In Tokyo he will hold a conference with Dr. Sen, and will then depart for Shanghai. Mr. Yen said before he left his office this morning that he expected to see a republican government in Nanking soon.

The Chinese secretary is convinced that the revolutionists have the upper hand at present, and with successes in Yunnan, Shensi and Szechuen, he does not expect that Yuan Shih-kai will hold out much longer. The cities of Shanghai and Canton are the present strongholds of the monarchists, and Mr. Yen states that conditions are such that it is almost certain that these two cities will go over to the revolutionists within a month.

JAPANESE ROOFS AT VANCOUVER PRAISED BY SIR SAM HUGHES

(Special Cable to Hawaii Shipco)
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 29.—Gen. Sir Sam Hughes of the Canadian Brigade today reviewed the Japanese volunteers at Vancouver. The Japanese have organized a regiment to join the British army in Europe, and after the review today, Gen. Hughes said that it was the first time in his life that he had reviewed troops which showed so much intelligence on their part.

PERSIA EXAMPLE OF WHAT MAY BE AMERICA'S FATE

W. Morgan Shuster Says U. S. Must Realize Gravity of Status and Be Armed

PREPAREDNESS PLEA AT UNIVERSITY CLUB LUNCH

Passengers on Nippon Say He is Going to Manila to Sound Filipinos on Independence

"There is no such nation as Persia. She is a mere geographical expression, and will either become a Russian province, a Turkish province, or a German protectorate, depending on which side wins the war," said W. Morgan Shuster, former treasurer general of Persia, today.

He is a through passenger on the T. K. K. liner Nippon Maru, going to the Philippines on a vacation trip, he says.

"None of the warring countries has respected Persia's sovereignty or neutrality," stated the noted diplomat and financial expert at the University Club a few minutes after he returned from a ride to the Fall and out to Diamond Head, as the guest of his personal friend, W. R. Castle.

"Russia has sent troops in, England has done the same from the south, the Turks from the northwest and the Germans have military agents there organizing forces."

"There is no fabric of government in Persia today. She has no money, no troops, no governmental fabric. Persia is not a nation—only a geographical expression."

"The fate of Persia will be decided by the success of one side or other in the present struggle," he added. "She will either become a Russian province, a Turkish province, or a German protectorate."

Mr. Shuster said England will probably keep control of the ports on the Persian gulf. "It is the desire of the Russians to get to the Persian gulf, and the aim of the Germans and Turks to keep them from doing so," he declared.

The noted diplomat said he does not want to make any predictions about the war. "I made one, and it fell flat," he said. "I will say, however, that the Allies have more money and more men."

Regarding President Wilson's policy of preparedness, Mr. Shuster said this morning shortly after he came

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SOLDIER-PUPILS ARE INJURED IN MUNITION CLASS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 29.—One officer and three soldiers were seriously injured today and five others injured less seriously, by an explosion which took place while a class in gunnery was listening to a lecture on bomb manufacturing.

REFUSE TO GIVE NAME OF WOMAN HURT BY AUTO

Shortly before 1:30 o'clock this afternoon, it was reported that a woman at Aala and King streets was run over by an automobile driven by an army man. She was taken in the machine to Fort Shafter to the department hospital, say the police.

Telephone inquiries at the Fort Shafter hospital for information as to the accident resulted in the answer: "Our orders forbid giving out any information over the telephone. If you want particulars you must come here for them."

The woman's name was withheld, and no statement as to the extent of her injuries would be given.

YOSHITO WILL MEET POPE'S SPECIAL ENVOY

(Special Cable to Hawaii Shipco)
TOKIO, Japan, Jan. 29.—Emperor Yoshihito will leave his winter villa at Hayama on February 3 for Tokyo, where he will come to meet the envoy of Pope Benedict. The envoy will be welcomed by the emperor at the Aoyama Palace. It is thought that the coming of the envoy is in the cause of peace among the warring European nations.

FEARED 50 LOST IN CALIFORNIA'S FLOOD DISASTER

Little Otay Valley, Near San Diego, Swept By 30-Foot Wall of Water

WEST SUFFERING MUCH FROM RAINS AND SNOWS

Trains Blocked, Wires Down and Everywhere Waters Threaten More Lives

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
SAN DIEGO, Cal., Jan. 29.—The first relief party arrived at Otay valley this afternoon to find the valley ravaged by the flood. Many bodies are being found. It is now estimated that the deaths probably will reach 50. Many of the bodies are so mutilated as to be unrecognizable.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Jan. 29.—Relief parties in automobiles and supplies in motor trucks are today being rushed to the Otay valley for the relief of the survivors of the disaster there last night. The Otay dam, 14 miles south of San Diego, went to pieces and in the floods many people are known to have lost their lives.

The pretty Otay valley, 15 miles long and only two miles wide, was swept by a great wall of water 30 feet high and devastated in a few moments.

The San Diego water supply is much curtailed. Communication with Otay valley remains severed. National City and Chula Vista, two suburbs, are reported to be severed from their water sources and in danger of a water famine.

It is believed that the great wall of water swept many bodies into the sea which never will be recovered.

DENVER, Colorado, Jan. 29.—Throughout Colorado today the trains are blocked and tracks obliterated by heavy snows, the drifts in some places being 23 feet deep. Many slides and avalanches have occurred and in numerous places the mining camps are isolated and the inhabitants are either forced to stay in their houses or must dig their way to communications.

It is seriously feared that some may starve before communication is generally opened.

BAKERSFIELD, Cal., Jan. 29.—The high winds which have swept this part of California, doing immense damage to the oil rigs, have made many families homeless. Their houses were demolished entirely by the gales. The Methodist church is filled with refugees.

The total loss in Kern county alone is estimated at \$1,500,000.

YUMA, Arizona, Jan. 29.—Further rises in the Colorado river have caused the residents to remove their property to high grounds. The worst flood in the history of the state is predicted now.

RIVERSIDE, Cal., Jan. 29.—Governor Johnson's wife has been marooned for two days at Corona by the floods and probably cannot get out for another day.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Jan. 29.—It is reported here that Tia Juana, Mexico, is under water, owing to the heavy rains and rising floods. The race track is said to have been carried away. The Tia Juana river is the highest in its history, and probably many have been drowned.

NET PROFITS OF \$120,089 MADE ON PINEAPPLES

After paying dividends of 15 per cent on a capital stock of \$700,000, total profits amounting to \$105,000, the Hawaiian Pineapple Company has left on hand a surplus of \$15,089.66 out of the net profits for operations during 1915, according to a statement authorized today by the president, James D. Dole.

Total net profits last year came to \$120,089.66. The company's capital stock of \$700,000 is divided into 35,000 shares of a par value of \$20 per share and the stock now stands on change at \$37 bid, with the last recorded sale at \$36 per share.

BUILDING ESTIMATES AMOUNT TO \$28,000

Building permits for the week ending today approximate \$28,000, with fees received by the building inspector of \$88. Total building permits for the month amount to \$140,414 so far.

BRITISH MINISTER PREDICTING SUCCESS



David Lloyd-George, Minister of Munitions.

GERMANS CLAIM MOST SUCCESSSES IN AIR BATTLES

Give Figures to Show That on West Front Allies Have Lost Heavily

That the Allies have lost very much more seriously in the air-warfare on the west front than have the Germans is part of the information contained in a cablegram from official German sources received early today. The cablegram says:

"German Headquarters, Jan. 28.—In the Neuville section of the west front French hand-grenade attacks were repulsed, with heavy losses for the French. One of the German minicraters remained in French hands."

"The booty taken by the Germans on January 26 was further increased by four machine-guns and two ballistae."

"The French have shelled several places behind the German front and the Germans replied by shelling Rheims. Near height 285, northeast of Lachalade, the Germans occupied a mine crater after an engagement."

"Concerning the air attack made by the enemy in the night time against the open and unfortified town of Freilburg, the reports are not yet complete."

"In the British house of commons there was made a communication about German and enemy losses of aeroplanes which are misleading. The following statistics furnish the best answer to these claims:

"From October 1 there were lost on the west front 16 German aeroplanes, of which 7 were lost in air engagements and 9 shot down from the ground by anti-aircraft guns, one being missing. During the same time the enemy lost 53 aeroplanes, of which 41 were shot down in air engagements, 11 shot from the ground, 11 landing within German lines. These figures comprise only the absolutely certain cases when the enemy aeroplanes fell into German hands."

"On the east side, both sides of the Vidsy, south of Duenaburg and between Stochon and the river Sty were scenes of minor engagements in which the Germans made prisoners and took booty."

THIEF SCATTERS CANDY AND POSTCARDS ABOUT

The candy and ice cream store of E. J. McGrew at Vineyard and Emma streets was broken into last night and candy and post cards scattered over the floor and counters, the stock being damaged to the extent of \$50 or more. The only loot secured by the burglar was 50 cents taken from the cash register and a few stamps. Anger because there was no cash in the place is thought to have caused the burglar to destroy the stock.

DEPUTY SHERIFF COULD NOT LOCATE SKELETON NEAR BARBER'S POINT

A rumor which floated by some means from Barber's Point to Pearl Harbor and by order was sent from Pearl Harbor to Sheriff Charles H. Rose, the effect of which was that a skeleton had been found at Barber's Point, proved to be unfounded when investigated by Deputy Sheriff John Fernandez of Kalua. Fernandez made a thorough search, but this afternoon no skeleton had been found.

MYSTERY IN DISAPPEARANCE OF STEAMER; TEUTONS WEAKEN, LLOYD GEORGE TELLS PUBLIC

MINISTER OF MUNITIONS FOR BRITAIN SAYS UNITED KINGDOM WILL HAVE FOUR MILLION MEN UNDER ARMS BY SPRING—ALBANIAN AND ITALIAN FORCES JOIN TO CHECK AUSTRIANS

(Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless.)

LONDON, Eng., Jan. 29.—Three hundred people are believed to have lost their lives in the sinking of the British steamer Appam, which is so long overdue at Plymouth that no hope is entertained that she is still afloat.

The mystery in the disappearance of this steamer, which is confidently believed to be a victim of a mine or a torpedo, is the topic uppermost in the newspapers today. The number of those aboard who are thought to be lost, the importance of many of them in public life, and the rich cargo which the vessel was carrying from Dakar, West Africa, unite to make her unaccountable failure to arrive a matter of sensational interest.

It is agreed that the prospect that she will reach port is now hopeless. It is believed the vessel sank northwest of Madeira. The agents estimate that the loss of life will be 300.

Most of the passengers were residents of London. Many were connected officially with the government service and were returning from leaves of absence.

Speculation as to the cause of the sinking varies. There are some theories that a Teuton submarine is operating in the waters where she is supposed to have sunk, while others conclude that an external or internal explosion is a more likely cause.

The value of the cargo is estimated at \$1,500,000.

Allies Sure to Win, Germany Is Weakening, Declares Lloyd George

PARIS, France, Jan. 29.—An important and emphatic prediction of success for the Allies is made in the course of an interview with the British minister of munitions, David Lloyd-George, excerpts from which are published by the newspapers here. He is quoted as saying that the Allies are constantly gaining strength whereas Germany is weakening.

"Great Britain has now three millions of men under arms and by spring will have four," he says. "This is a war for democracy the Allies are fighting. The struggle is between military autocracy and political liberty. We shall be victorious."

"British stubbornness overthrew Napoleon after 20 years of power. After the allies then deserted, England stuck until Napoleon was defeated. Now our allies are equally as resolute as we."

Albanians and Italians Join Forces

PARIS, France, Jan. 29.—A Rome despatch to the Paris Matin declares that Essad Pasha, the leader of the Albanian forces who have been trying to check the Austrians, has effected a junction of his troops and the Italian forces sent into Albania. Avlona is being heavily fortified and the leaders are confident that the Austrian advance in Albania and Montenegro will be halted.

ROME, Italy, Jan. 29.—Heavy rains are impeding the Austrian advance in Albania.

Germans Capture Village of Frise

BERLIN, Germany, Jan. 29.—The Germans have captured 1000 yards of French trenches south of and including the village of Frise, it is announced, with 13 machine guns and 1000 prisoners. Northeast of Neuville the Germans stormed and took 1700 yards of trenches.

PARIS, France, Jan. 29.—German attacks south of Somme failed but succeeded at Frise.

Ford May Aid War-Needy Children

THE HAGUE, Netherlands, Jan. 29.—Judge Ben B. Lindsey of Denver, one of the Ford peace delegates, has gone to Berlin to study the needs of children of the belligerents. If it is feasible, Henry Ford has promised to provide ample funds to help the children made needy by war.

Britain Sows Mines to Block Baltic

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 29.—Information has been received at the state department that Great Britain is sowing mines so thickly at the entrance to the Baltic sea that the entrance is impassable except with the guidance of official pilots.

More Anti-German Riots at Lausanne

LAUSANNE, Switzerland, Jan. 29.—Notwithstanding the presence of troops, rioting was renewed last night in the vicinity of the German consulate. More than 100 arrests have been made.

General Hodson Dies at Malta

LONDON, Eng., Jan. 29.—Gen. Hodson of the Indian army, who was wounded at Gallipoli, died today at Malta.

The condition of James T. Stacker, who is ill at his home in King street, is growing more serious daily. At press time, Dr. J. T. Wayson, his physician, reported him to be very much weaker.

Robert W. Shingle has received no further word regarding the condition of Princess Kawananakoa, who is ill with typhoid fever in Washington, D. C.

Several splendidly equipped hospital trains have been presented to the Teutonic allies by residents of the land.